

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH



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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Christopher's Parish is a believing community committed to manifesting Christ's love through celebrating the sacraments, sharing gospel values, serving one another and all who hunger for Jesus.

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Rev. Joseph Rodrigues
Permanent Deacon: Deacon Terence Da Silva
Permanent Deacon: Deacon Michael E. Minkowski
Youth Minister & Sacramental Preparation: Levy Anne Ramos
Ministry with Maturing Adults Sue Merko
Accounting: Arnold Rego
Sacristan: Narda Van Dyk



SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (also live) & 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday to Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 10:00 a.m. or by appointment

COMMUNION TO THE SICK & SHUT-INS

Call parish office for home visit.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

By request through the parish office.

PARISH OUTREACH PHONE NUMBER

416-580-3982

BAPTISM

The sacrament of Baptism is offered every Saturday and Sunday at 1:45 pm one family at a time by appointment. You may prepare for the sacrament three months before the birth of your child.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. Do not book a hall or choose music until you have spoken to the priest. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS & CHILDREN

Those wishing to become Catholic or learn more about the Catholic faith are invited to contact the Parish Office.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

10:00 a.m. Mass.

MOTHERS' GROUP

Third Wednesday of the month in the Parish Hall at 7:30 pm.
Contact : jen@catholicmomsgroup.com

HOLY HOUR

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Evening Prayer -
Every Friday at 7:00 p.m.

LEGION OF MARY

Tuesday at 6pm & Thursdays at 10am in the JC Room.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jr. EDGE - Grade 3 - 5

EDGE - Grade 6 - 8

Lifeteen - Grade 9 -12

Contact Levy Anne for dates and times.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Fourth Monday of the month in the parish hall at 8:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS BOOKS & ARTICLES STORE

Open every third week of each month following Saturday 5:00 p.m. and all Sunday masses.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Christopher Greg Hilton, Princ. 905-822-0721

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**WEEKLY SCHEDULE | MASS INTENTIONS |
CELEBRATION OF SAINTS**

Matthew 24:36-44: *The Necessity for Watchfulness*

Christmas Caring is Sharing

Caring is Sharing is a wonderful opportunity to share God’s love with those less fortunate in our community. More and more families are suffering from food insecurity and are turning to food banks such as “The Compass”, our outreach partner, for assistance.

St. Christopher’s has a long history of generously supporting those in need and hope to do so again this year. How can you help?

- 1. Donation of Gift cards (Walmart, PC or Metro/Food Basics)

Place collection baskets at all masses the weekend of Dec. 3-4 & 11-12 OR at the parish office during business hours.

- 2. Support The Compass’ “Spread the Joy” campaign and donate ONLINE (thecompass.ca) or by cheque to The Compass, 427 Lakeshore Rd, East, Mississauga, ON L5G 1H8

Our heartfelt Thanks on behalf of the families who will benefit from your caring & sharing this Christmas.

We are pleased to announce the
**Official Installation Mass of
Fr. Joseph Rodrigues**

as Pastor of St. Christopher’s Catholic Church will be taking place on Sun. Dec. 4th at the 12 pm Mass, and will be celebrated by His Excellency Ivan Camilleri, auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Toronto. This mass will also be streamed live on www.youtube.com/stchristophersmi

Reception to follow in the church hall.

Parishioners are warmly invited to attend!

Tues. Nov. 29th -

St. Cecilia

9 am – Gloria Cote† & Holy Souls†

7:30 pm – K of C General Meeting (Hall)

Wed. Nov. 30th -

St. Andrew

9 am – Francesco Contarint†

10 am – Rosary Apostolate (Hickey Lounge)

Thurs. Dec. 1st -

9 am – All Deceased – Legionaries

Fri. Dec 2nd -

St. Catherine of Alexandria

9 am – Abbey Leont†

Sat. Dec. 3rd -

St. Francis Xavier

9am – Elvezia Russo† & Lorenzo De Maestri

5 pm –People of the Parish

Sun. Dec. 4th -

2nd Sunday of Advent

8:30 am – Imelda Hendrick†

10 am – Holy Souls

12 pm – (SI) Dec. Terry de Silva

INSTALLATION MASS OF

FR. JOSEPH RODRIGUES

3 pm – Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

Prayer Requests:

For those who are sick:

Maria Watson

If you or a family member is sick or deceased and would like to be prayer for, please contact stchristophersmi@archtoronto.org.

Names will be added to our Prayers of the Faithful on the weekend the week the call/email is received.

Mass Intentions: We are glad to announce that St. Christopher's has been granted permission to offer multiple mass intentions for a mass. We will be offering multiple intentions for a mass Tues & Sat at 9am only.

Youth Ministry

We ask that you pray for those who are preparing for Confirmation & First Communion/ Reconciliation as they continue to journeys of faith in Jesus. May they be filled with His knowledge, wisdom and grace.

JR Edge (Grade 3 – 5) Thurs. Dec. 15th at 6pm in the Hall

EDGE (Grade 6 – 8) Thurs. Dec. 15th at 6pm in the Hall

Lifteen (Grade 9 -12) Sat. Dec. 16th at 5pm in the Church

We are still looking for **kids ages 4-11** to take part of our **2022 Christmas Pageant!** Kids get the opportunity to present the Birth of Jesus on Dec. 24th before the Christmas Vigil mass. Next rehearsal is on Sun. Dec. 4th in the main church at 3pm.

VOLUNTEER HOURS AVAILABLE!

Need volunteer hours? Reach out to Levy at lramos@archtoronto.org.

Days of Confession for Advent 2022:

We have started new liturgical year in the parish, and as we prepare for the season of Advent and Christmas, we must prepare ourselves spiritually. And one of the best opportunities is the **Day of Confessions**. St. Christopher's Parish will be holding Reconciliation on Dec. 16th, 2022 from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Blue Piggy Banks are back!!!

Starting this weekend, the Knights of Columbus will be distributing banks for parishioners to take home and collect coins over the holidays. They will then be returned to the Knights beginning mid-January. Last year, the Blue Piggy Banks generated over \$4000 of donations, which were used to support the Compass Foodbank and other local charities!

Catholic Christian Outreach

We welcome **Jackie Lavery** and **Marc Moreau**, missionaries with Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO). CCO is a movement dedicated to evangelization on university campuses. Marc and Jackie will be sharing briefly after each mass about their ministry and how you can help support them in their work.

For more information on CCO please see the website: www.cco.ca

Focolare means bonfire, where people gather around, as a community. We are officially known by the church under the work of Mary. Together we receive and give warmth to those around us living the gospel radically in our everyday life, with concrete acts of love and aspiring for unity, among us. Jesus is love, his word is a living fire! We invite you to our meetings every 2nd Saturday of the month in the Hickey Lounge from 2:30-4:30p. English group to start soon. If you would like more information, contact: **Silka Lopez: 416 936 4341** or **Ines Anderson: 647 980 0395**.

HOLY NAME OF MARY COLLEGE SCHOOL:

Holy Name of Mary, an independent Catholic School for girls grade 5-12 is now accepting applications for the 2023-2024 academic year. Begin your application today by visiting www.apply.hnmcs.ca

HE WHO SINGS, PRAYS TWICE

The Adult Choir is planning to sing at the 9pm mass on Christmas Eve this year – join the choir and raise your voice in God's praise, singing some of the most beloved songs during the most wonderful time of the year. Rehearsals will be on Thursday evenings in the main church at 7pm, beginning in December. Contact Darryn at the piano for details and get involved!

2022 Sharelife \$ 1 Million Matching Gift Program

Recognizing the needs of the agencies and those who turn to help them, an anonymous donor has come forward with a \$ 1 million matching gift challenge. Please continue to support Sharelife!

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